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Colonel Parker Declares That They Had a Plain Issue Put Before Them of Either Taking Active Operations Against Ulster or Resigning Their Commands.

London, March 28.—The position of the British officers in Ireland who resigned was stated clearly by Colonel Parker of the Fifth Lancers, in an interview last night, when he strongly emphasized his denial of the suggestion that he and his fellow officers had disobeyed orders.

Colonel Parker stationed at the Marlborough barracks, the cavalry headquarters in Ireland, was one of the officers summoned with General Gough by the army council last Friday to explain their attitude in the Ulster matter. At the barracks yesterday, Col. Parker said: "No communication has been received so far from the army council, embodying the government repudiation of the guarantee given to Gen. Gough, Mr. McKenna and myself when we were in Ireland last week. We take our stand on the government's guarantee. I know what appears in the papers as to the government's decision. As soldiers, we obey the army council. If we present we sit tight and take no action unless we hear from the war office. I wish to emphasize the fact that we officers did not disobey orders. We had a plain issue put before us, two alternatives—either to take active operations against Ulster or to resign our commands and be dismissed from the army. We accepted the alternative of dismissal."

Asked what action the officers would take if the army council intimated that the Gough guarantee had been cancelled, Col. Parker said: "I am not prepared to say."

The colonel left the impression that he and the other cavalry officers would not recede from the position taken up. If ordered in the ordinary way, he said, they would go to Ulster and the military would assist the civil power in suppressing disorder and guarding stores.

"If 100,000 volunteers fully armed appeared on the scene would you assist the civil authority in arming them?"

"This question the colonel replied emphatically:

"No, if they were doing nothing. The government has allowed them to arm and drill, and why should arms be taken from them now?"

"And if they used their arms?" he was asked.

"Ah," said the colonel, "I don't think they are thick of that."

"You do not believe the volunteers will fire a shot in anger?"

"No, I do not," he replied. "They have achieved their purpose by showing in their earnestness, but I do not think there will be any firing on their part."

In conclusion, the colonel again emphasized the fact that the officers had not disobeyed orders.

## OUR BOY SCOUTS

Edited by District Commissioner Hetherington

### SHAM FIGHT TO BE HELD BY EDMONTON SCOUTS AT EASTER

Arrangements are under way to have a sham-fight on Good Friday, at the Scouts of Edmonton. Notice of this effect have already been forwarded to the different Scoutmasters by the district commissioner, and it is hoped to make this one of the best activities yet undertaken by the Edmonton scouts. This event will occupy the best part of the day and after it is over an inspection will be held of all the troops. It is hoped to have every scout in the city take part in it and if it proves a success will be followed by other activities of a like nature.

Since the beginning of this year there has been a steady progress made by the local scouts and it is expected that a record camp will be held this summer. While the movement has made progress in this city during the last few months, there is considerable to be accomplished yet before the movement in this city is up to the high standard set by some of the other Canadian cities.

While we are ready to admit that the scouts of this city are not up to the mark they might be or ought to be, we read a letter written by one of these persons, in which they deplore the way the work is being carried on in the city and the conditions of the movement is in, and also criticizing the method of the men who are doing the work. While some of this criticism may be perfectly just and true, they fail to see what is the cause of this failure, they don't realize that the scouts of this city are handicapped for the want of the right capital and will take hold of the work and make it a success. If they could see for themselves the sacrifices that are often made daily by some of the Scoutmasters, the giving up of their own pleasures and often comforts, to help their scouts, then they might be a little more reluctant before they pass their criticism.

### CHIEF SCOUT ASKS THAT ST. GEORGES DAY BE OBSERVED

A letter has been received from the provincial headquarters, enclosing a message from the chief scout, who asks that St. George's Day be observed throughout the empire. The following is a copy of the chief's message: St. George's Day, April 23.—In every civilized country St. George is the patron saint of cavalry.

Cavalry are the scouts who reconnoitre the country and enemy in front of an army.

The word "cavalry" is practically

the same as "cavalry," and owing to the bravery of these scouts in battle, and to their kindness to women and children, their name, "cavalry," came to stand for the highest form of manliness.

So it is only right that their followers, the boy scouts of today, should have the same saint to look up to as their patron and as their example.

The Legend of St. George  
There are several versions of the story of St. George. The commonly accepted legend is that he was a knight of the 3rd century, who lived in a new country where the people were much distressed by the presence of a dragon, who demanded toll of them by taking one of their maidens every year for his midday meal. The maidens had to draw lots as to which was to be his prey.

On the day that St. George arrived the king's daughter had drawn the fatal lot, and was sitting at the appointed place awaiting the dragon. St. George, without counting the risk to himself, at once sallied forth to meet him, forcing his unwilling horse to face the most appalling danger, even though he was told that he would be killed.

The 23rd of April is St. George's day and as he is the patron saint of boy scouts, it is fitting that every day were observed by all as their "Scout Day," on which they will remember the legend of St. George, and the duty of a Scoutmaster, by sending greeting to their brother scouts across the seas and elsewhere.

ROBERT BADEN-POWELL.

### TORONTO SCOUTS ARE INSPIRED BY R. H. DUKE OF CONNAUGHT

A very interesting event took place in Toronto during the last week, when the Chief Scout for Canada, His Royal Highness, the Duke of Connaught, paid a visit to the scout headquarters and also reviewed a number of the scouts. The chief was accompanied on this official tour of inspection by Col. Gooderham, president of the Toronto council, Chief Commissioner W. K. George and Assistant Commissioner H. G. Hammond.

Col. Gooderham in the presence of the scout officials, and a number of ladies, presented him with an address of welcome. The Duke of Connaught, in his address, was most kind to the health of the Duke of Connaught, Col. Gooderham expressing the recovery of the local corps in the recovery of her highness and their wish that she should continue to enjoy her health.

### WHY NOT ADOPT THE PATROL SYSTEM FOR THE EDMONTON SCOUTS

One thing in which the Edmonton scouts are behind in, is what is known as the patrol system. By this is meant the sharing in their anxiety to have a smart troop to try to do everything for themselves. Now this is a poor plan from two points of view, first, taking it from the troops point, the boys do not learn to do the things for themselves and secondly the officer cannot have a smart troop if he does everything himself and thereby falls in the very thing which he set out to accomplish. Invariably the Scoutmaster that has adopted the method of placing the responsibility on the shoulders of his patrol leaders, has the smartest and most successful troop. The same thing is true of a boy or man going through life. He must always be used to have someone do things for him when he is in difficulty, he never makes a success of life. The chief scout in his handbook, "Scouting for Boys" especially emphasizes the fact that the Scoutmaster should sit back and let the boys do the actual work. This responsibility is especially needed in inter-patrol competition.

The Saturday afternoon hikes of the 11th troop have started and for the last two or three weeks the scouts from this troop have been busy clearing the fields for a supposed enemy.

### Enticing Offers for Monday

Laces 2c Per Yard

Laces and Insertions up to 3 inches in width—cotton and tulle—suitable for fancywork underwear trimming and many other purposes. Including values up to 50c per yard. Monday at ..... 2c

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### Clothes Pins Half Price

Our regular price of Spring Clothes Pins is 5c per dozen. On Monday they will be specially priced 2 dozen for ..... 5c

### Baby Baskets

Many people have been awaiting the arrival of our baby baskets. They are now here. Made of white willow and have canopy hoops. Each ..... \$2.50

### Hosiery Special at 15c

Women's Hosiery of fine Egyptian cotton, nice soft quality—have double soles and high spliced heels and are seamless. The quality is equal to most 25c hosiery. Our special low priced hose, the pair ..... 15c

### Women's Lisle Hose 25c

A very fine quality lisle hose in tan and black. They have high spliced heels and double soles. A really exceptional quality at per pair ..... 25c

### Sample Jewelry 10c

They are samples of size to 16c lines and include Bar Pins, Tie Pins, Brooches, Ear Rings, Trinkets, Necklets, Bouton Pins—all of fine styles and shapes—a manufacturer's sample. On sale Monday, each ..... 10c

### Among the Charming Millinery at Ramsey's

You will find these Exquisite Parisian Models modified to meet the practical needs of Edmonton Women.

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## 40 Women May Choose a Charming Easter Suit Monday at a Third Less

Had they not been a special purchase, comprising manufacturers' models and surplus samples, these beautiful suits would have been priced at \$25.00. At Monday's price they will probably be all spoken for before noon. Materials include plain and artistic weaves in the new shades of blues, greys, tans, etc. Almost every size up to 42 is included. Monday you may choose at

### AMONG THE SCOUTS.

If the Robertson troop keeps on at its present rate of growth, it will soon become one of the largest troops in the city.

G. B. McKenna who has been acting as scoutmaster to the Robertson troop for the last few months, has received his warrant qualifying him as Warrant Scoutmaster.

The Wyo Road troop, which has been one of the smallest troops in the city for some time, has been gradually growing in size until it can hardly claim that distinction now.

A troop from which little or nothing has been heard of for some time, is the combined Sturgeon and Nampston troops, under the leadership of Rev. Matheson. If this should meet the eye of any members of the troop, they will kindly take the hint.

A visit to the headquarters of the 9th troop on a Friday evening, will bring out the fact that the boys are making good use of their new reading room.

## JAMES RAMSEY

Phone Exchange 1195  
ENTRANCES ON FIRST, HOWARD AND ELIZABETH STREETS. LIMITED

### Men and Youngmen Desiring to Save on Their Easter Suits Are Advised to Attend this Sale

On Saturday night and Monday we continue the sale of men's \$12.00 and \$15.00 suits at \$8.95, and also place on sale every \$22.00, \$23.00 and \$25.00 suits in the house at \$19.50. When you take into consideration the fact that Ramsey's regular prices are the lowest in town the importance of these reductions will appeal to you with their full force. There are two and three button models in both groups, and the materials are tweeds and worsteds in the \$8.95 group; and tweeds, worsteds and serges in the \$19.50 group. Blues, greys, browns, tans, etc.; striped, plain and mixtures—most any kind of suit you want at either price.

100 Suits, values \$12.00 to \$15.00. Special at

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Any \$22.00, \$23.50 or \$25.00 Suit in the house at

**\$19.50**

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We are constantly in close touch with Paris. (Two of our buyers are there, at this very time.) This close attention to what is being done in Paris is reflected in our showing of dress silks, suitings, etc. You can always depend upon seeing the latest fashions in weave and color by visiting our dress goods section.

Our Special \$1.00 Silk  
It's a soft non-cutting silk in all the leading shades, 36 inches wide. A quality that will certainly please you. Our special, at per yard ..... \$1.00

Hulda Marquis \$1.25  
This famous silk has been sold by us every season since we have been in business and has always given good satisfaction. It's durable and has a lustrous finish. Width 36 inches. All leading shades. The yard ..... \$1.25

Novelty Suitings \$2.25  
Rich plaids in grey with purple or blue, plain red, heavy cream, etc. All wool fabrics of splendid weight and texture. Effective contrasts of durable quality; 52 inches wide. The yard ..... \$2.25

Another Opportunity to Buy Trunks at 1/4 Less than the Market Price  
We shall continue this big sale on Saturday night and Monday—offering any trunk in the house at a reduction of 1/4 from Ramsey's regular low price. There are Dress Trunks, Wardrobe Trunks and Steamer Trunks; all sizes and grades. All at 1/4 Less.



### Pure Food Specials For Monday EXTRA SPECIAL

We wish to introduce Post Tavern Special to those who have never used it, and in doing so shall offer these at this exceptionally low price. It is a food made of wheat, corn, rice and salt, skillfully blended and made by the Post Cereal Co. It is put up in packages and sold anywhere in the city at 12 1/2c and 15c per packet. For breakfast, porridge, fried mush and griddle cakes, it is unexcelled. While 500 packets last, they go at, per dozen ..... \$1.00

Pure Grape Juice, in pint bottles, each ..... 30c  
Tetterly's Black Tea, in half and one-pound tins, per tin ..... 40c  
Tetterly's High Class Tea, "Russian Blue Lake," in 1/2 lb. tins, each ..... 25c  
Sliced Dried Fruit, in glass, regular 25c, for ..... 20c  
Libby's Sliced Peaches, in tins, regular 25c per tin. Monday, 3 tins 50c  
Grocery Phone 6742

### Grass Chairs and Rockers Reduced For Monday Selling

Furniture Dept., 11 Jasper East  
All our grass arm chairs that sell regularly at from \$5.50 to \$7.35 will be specially priced on Monday at ..... \$4.75  
And all grass rockers that sell regularly at from \$6.00 to \$8.00 will be ..... \$5.00

### Have Your Interior Decorating Planned by Our Experts

To have complete harmony in Rugs, Draperies, and Wall-papers in your home, with different furnishings in each room it is necessary to make a careful study of light, color, form and proportion, all of which are such important factors that if one is out of tune the room loses its proper balance. We specialize on contracts for complete decoration, furnishing the materials for floor, window, wall and ceiling, and doing all the work. Consult our expert decorators who will be pleased to submit sketches, suggestions and estimates on your spring re-furnishing, painting and papering.

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London, March 28.—Puck, the airman, yesterday at Northampton flew up and down for two miles. He had previously taken his two-year-old niece for a flight.

OTTAWA, March 28.—The Athabasca Petroleum company, limited, with a capital stock of half a million and head office at Vancouver was incorporated this week by the department of state.

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# HERE IT IS! The CANADIAN GIRLS and BOYS OWN PAGE

Selected and Edited by Themselves

:: NOW LOOK OUT FOR APRIL FOOL'S DAY ::

## APRIL FOOLS' DAY

Some Customs of "Fooling" Carried On by Our Forefathers—They are Very Different From Ours of To-day.

THIS name has been given to the 1st of April following the old custom of playing jokes on friends and neighbors on that day, or sending them on fools' errands. The origin of this custom is not positively known, although many solutions have been offered. It is almost certain, however, that Europe derived the custom of "April fooling" from France.



which was the first nation to adopt the reformed calendar which began the year with the 1st of January. In this way New Year's gifts and other festivities previously held on April 1st became associated with January 1st, and those who did not like the change gave false hints for these wits who caused themselves by sending mock presents. A far more natural explanation

of this custom would be that the sun quits the zodiacal sign of the fish in April, and that the April fish would be a young fish and therefore easily caught. This may be the origin of the connection in which we use the word "fish" in referring to a certain person even today. The picture shows some wretches who are calling to the bean to look to his

## APRIL :: SHOWERS

AFTER our gardens have been made, we shall need some rain in order to help to make the seeds grow. I think the rain will come, for it always comes in this month. Do you know the name of the month that it is with us now? It is April; she comes with her tears and her smiles. Her tears are rain-drops. Her smiles are little sunbeams. We all like April; we are glad that spring is here. Of what use are April's rain-drops? Of what use are her sunbeams? "April showers bring May flowers." What does that mean?



## PLANT :: LIFE

THE April showers have started to come, they have called to the little seeds. The March winds have called them, too. The little seeds hear the "tap, tap, tap" of the rain-drops and the whistle of the wind. They stretched out a little foot to take hold of the soil. They reached up a little hand to catch a sunbeam. The rain-drops tapped at the roots of the trees, too. They said, "Wake from your long sleep." As soon as the trees awoke, they called all of their baby buds. The buds threw off their blankets and peeped out of their brown cradles. Some of them wished to be out before the violets. The rest of the little sleepers will be out soon.

## THREE APRIL FOOLS

This Custom of Having Court Jesters Was Originated in Connection With First of April.

THE old custom of keeping professional fools and jesters in their houses, and especially at palaces and other great houses, was founded upon the principle of "Laughter is favorable to digestion, man, or fool, whose follies were demanded by it the organs concerned in digestion got exercise, which was good for the process." It is most likely, however, that this custom when



first devised had some connection with the first day of April. According to the ideas of today, cheerful after-dinner conversation is sufficient exercise for the digestive organs. Our forefathers demanded a fixed and certain means of stirring up merriment; at any rate, all through the middle ages men of means kept

ried in his hand a stick terminating either in an inflated bladder to be used in shaming inadvertent neighbors. The other, called a jester, was witty and perhaps a well educated man who was used to tell stories. The fool was a very humble person, who hung around the kitchen, mending almost with the dogs, and liable, when disobedient, to a whipping.

## THE BRITISH EMPIRE

WHAT TWO ENGLISH CHILDREN SAW IN CANADA AND OTHER PARTS OF THE BRITISH EMPIRE

### INTERESTING SPOTS IN A CHILD'S HISTORY OF NEW CANADA

IN the early days when Canada did not extend west of the coast of New France and England were battling for supremacy in this continent, the white people did not know the Indians very well. There are very few real Indians left in Canada these days, and when they read how their forefathers were used by the white settlers some times in those olden days it must make them feel bad.

About the end of the seventeenth century the English, who owned the colonies on the Atlantic ocean, began to extend their trade into Canadian territory, then controlled by France. This gave rise to keen rivalries between the two European races, and led the English to take sides with the French in their wars with the Indians.

At a friendly meeting of Iroquois chiefs with Governor Denonville, at Fort Frontenac, he caused fifty of them to be seized and put in irons; and, to humor the whim of the king, they were sent to France to work on the galleys. Nor did Denonville's perfidy end here.

With a force of two thousand men, in a fleet of canoes, he entered the Seneca country by the Genesee River, and for ten days ravaged their homes and put many of them to death. Returning by the Niagara River, he erected and garrisoned a fort at its mouth, and then withdrew to Quebec. A terrible revenge was taken on the French colonists for these infamous acts. The Iroquois descended like a hurricane on the colony, and at La Chaine, a little way above Montreal, more than a thousand Frenchmen were surprised over night and massacred. Fort Niagara was razed to the ground, and Fort Frontenac was abandoned. The colony was burned, together with the trading vessels and stores in the port. The colony was now in the greatest jeopardy, and news of this shocking France, Count Frontenac was immediately reinstated in the governorship and dispatched to Canada. With him were returned the Iroquois warriors who had been indignantly captured and taken to France.

### HE GOT TIERED

CHARLIE, aged six, and his friend found a kitten belonging to a lady further up the street, on returning it said: "Missus, here's your kitten." The lady, who was talking to a neighbor, took no notice of the boy. Charlie again repeated: "Missus, here's your kitten." The lady, getting impatient, began to scold. Whereupon Charlie, flinging the kitten upon the ground, exclaimed: "Now, take your kitten!"

### A MATTER OF OPINION

PUSSIES, Puppies, and White Mice, All of them are nice, And will love you, that is true, If you feed them every day. Some love cats and some love dogs; Some love black-faced gollies; "I've got two pets," says the Mother, "Daisy's one and Ted's the other!"

## THE ANGLER BIRD



THIS funny old bird greatly wishes to catch in the river some fishes, But spends the day reading just what should be done. So meanwhile the fishes have no end of fun, And never an one on his dish is

W HEN Oliver and I went with father on a big steamship to Canada, we thought we were going to visit a foreign country which had nothing to do with our own home-land. We expected that most people would not understand our language, and that boys and girls would not know how to play any of our games. But soon we found our mistake. One day Oliver read the name of our ship "Empress of Britain," printed upon a lifebuoy. "That means our Queen," said he proudly. "It means my Queen, too," said a little boy who was playing with us.

"What part of Britain do you come from?" asked I. "England, or Scotland, or Wales, or Ireland!" "From none of them," replied he, "but from Canada, which is very much bigger than all of them put together." Oliver looked surprised. "Canada is not a part of Britain," said he. "Yes, it is," answered the Canadian boy. "No, it is not."

I really think they would have quarreled if father, who was strolling up and down the deck, had not stopped to ask us what we were talking about so loudly. "The boys began to tell him, both speaking at once, but father put his fingers in his ears. "Let Nancy explain," said he laughing. "So I told what had happened, and when I had finished father patted the little Canadian on the back. "Right you are, my young friend!" said he. "Canada is a very important part of Greater Britain. Great Britain is like a mother with a large family, which is called Greater Britain or the British Empire. Canada is a big son, already strong and handsome, who is doing much for the honor and prosperity of the family."

The Canadian boy looked pleased to be told he was right; but I am sure Oliver was no less pleased to find that he was wrong. "Will Canada feel just like home?" asked he. "No," replied father; "but you will soon feel at home here, for you will be among friends, and everywhere you go the Union Jack will remind you that you are still in the great British Empire."

THE END OF THE VOYAGE. We loved Canada from the day our ship steamed up the great St. Lawrence River and we saw the beautiful city of Quebec, with purple hills and green woods behind it, shining in the sunlight. "What a nice country it looks!" said Oliver. "And how nice and homelike it smells!" said the little Canadian, sniffing the fresh breeze. It did smell nice, for I sniffed it myself to see. It made me remember the scent of the woods on a hot day when the blue smoke from the crackling fire of sticks under our kettle twisted among the green branches. Father said this was because the air smelt of woodsmoke from many fires of wood which were burning in Quebec. But we forgot the scent and every-thing else when the passengers began to troop off the ship. A great many of them were boys and girls and babies. And nearly all looked happy as they crowded to the ship. We made friends with a family of

six children who were sitting on their luggage and waiting for their father and mother. The eldest girl told us that they had come from a sunny town, but their new home would be in the country, where they would be green grass and beautiful flowers, and keep cows, and pigs, and chickens. And one of her brothers, no bigger than Oliver, cracked a toy whip and said he was going to drive horses, and ride on a reaping machine, and play in orchards, where there would be so many apple trees that no one would think of scolding if he helped himself to all the fruit he wanted.

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So full of industry is Jane, No lesson ever gives her pen. She never plays, in sun nor rain; To jump or joke would never deign. But dull she is, and will remain; 'Tis thus the matter we explain— "Work and no play is little gain."

### BY MESSENGER

SAY, did you see the Stork pass by? Last night, when all was still— 'His wings like sails against the sky. And something in his bill? Say, did you see which way he took. And where he lighted down— Where he called, there's joy this morn. Around a wondrous sight— Brother or sister, newly born! Left by the Stork last night!

### BRIGHT SAYINGS OF THE CANADIAN BOYS AND GIRLS

STARVED. MY little boy, two and a half years, watched me make a layer cake one afternoon, and was very anxious to help. I should have said it was a piece of it. I told him he could not have a piece until ten o'clock, when he said, "I'm looking very longingly at the cake, and presently he looked up at me, and said: "If grandma says yes, he would say, 'Little, feed your boy, he looks starved.'"

RANT IN THE TRENCH. LITTLE EDWARD went out to where they were digging the trench, and looked down and saw an old man with a long grey beard, digging. Just then the superintendent came along, and Edward addressed him as follows:— "Hello, George! Is that Santa Claus you get down there?"

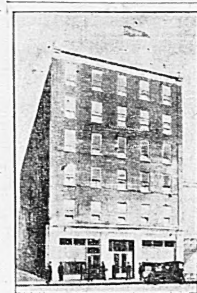
A WITTY YOUTH. GRANDMA celebrated her birthday on Dec. 24th, and on Christmas Day, when the little was filled with guests, during a momentary lull in the conversation, a shrill boy's voice, of five, piped up: "So, grandma, I know who you are so nice. 'Cause you were born before Christ. Say, who marched into the ark with you?" Reciprocally snatched but grandma.

GRANDMA'S FACE. A LITTLE girl not quite 4 years of age, was left in charge of her grandma. The grandma's face was wrinkled, being aged, and the child, who was often looking at her face, burst forth the words: "Grandma, if I had a face like yours, should I die?"

HAIR A YARD OR DEAR. HARRY, aged seven years, was sent by his mother to a dry goods store for a yard of cheap cotton wool to make a pin-cushion. Not having any cheap cotton wool in stock, the assistant asked the little fellow what the cotton wool was for, and he said: "Mother wanted it to make a pin-cushion," so he said, "Tell mother 'Bess' is the best for pin-cushions." "Well, give me half a yard of that."

A JOKE ON HIS AUNT. LITTLE ARTHUR accompanied the milkman on the morning routes, which gave him opportunity to visit Auntie Jane each day; and likewise Auntie Jane took the opportunity to teach Arthur "little things." The morning previous he had complained of his legs being cold, and Auntie Jane said to him: "You must say 'limbs, not legs, Arthur.' Next morning the snow was deep, and he had to wear his leggings whereupon he greeted Auntie Jane with: "Morning, Auntie, snow's awful deep, but see, I got my 'limbs' on, anyway."





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## TO START WORK OF CONSTRUCTION SOON

E. D. and B. C. Railway Clears Property in Neighborhood of Bronx.

**STEEL IS PAST SAWRIDGE**  
With Opening of Shops Town Will Be Started Contiguous.

During the past month men have been busy clearing all the brush and trees off the railway property of the Edmonton and Canadian Pacific Railway company adjoining the Bronx. It is stated that the company will start work at once on their permanent construction in erecting shops, works, etc., in addition to those already built.

The steel is now past Sawridge and much work will be taken in hand at the Edmonton terminals.

Mr. J. D. McArthur stated that the two railways E. D. and B. C. and A. G. W. building from the yards at the Bronx, would employ 4,000 men. With the erection of works, etc., at the terminals, many more will be employed.

It is more than likely that by the end of this year there will be a healthy little village at the Bronx, owing to the amount of men to be employed at the works, such as there is at Calder, owing to the Grand Trunk shops adjacent.

The employment offered by the E. D. and B. C. company, at their works at the Bronx will tend to swell the population of the northwest of city and in another step to making Edmonton the what it will eventually be, the railway and commercial center of the Canadian North West.

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## SOCIETIES ASKED TO ASSIST WITH BIG CELEBRATION

Strong efforts are to be made to make Empire Day this year an event worthy of the day and to start things moving in that direction. The Empire Day Celebration committee has sent the following letter to leading patriotic, fraternal and other societies:—

"The co-operation of your society is earnestly requested in our efforts to arrange for a really popular and patriotic celebration of Empire Day, May 25, 1914.

"You are invited to appoint two active delegates to serve on our committee, which will hold its next meeting in Suite 629-630 Teater Building, First street, on Tuesday, April 28th, at 8 p.m. sharp.

"The object of the committee is to have a good public entertainment consisting of military and juvenile sports, with prizes.

"The proceeds will be added to the convalescent home fund, which was started last Empire Day.

"Awaiting your early reply, we are, yours truly, Empire Day Celebration Committee, per E. G. Rendell, hon. secretary. Phone 3668."

## RIGHT OF WAY FOR OLIVER BRANCH OF C.N.R. CUT THROUGH

The right-of-way for the branch of the Canadian Northern system from Oliver, just northeast of Edmonton, to St. Paul de Mordue, has been cut through. 15 miles of grading has been done and it is expected that work on it will be pushed this season. It will run through Batterien, Keremont, Ruidway Centre, Oxford and south of Smoky Lake, through a well settled district which would appreciate railway facilities and where traffic should be great enough for the start to warrant it. It is said that this is one of the lines, the construction of which was financed by the recent bond issue of the company.

## APPRECIATES WORK OF ATTORNEY GENERAL RE SUNDAY OBSERVANCE.

Rev. W. M. Rochester, general secretary of the Lord's Day Alliance for the Dominion, was in the city yesterday. During the day he had a talk with J. D. Hunt, acting deputy attorney general, and intimated that the alliance was well pleased with Sunday observance and appreciated what the attorney general's department had done in this direction. He will be in Edmonton again in April.

## FUNERAL THIS AFTERNOON.

The funeral of Charles H. Cunningham, who died on Friday morning at the home of his daughter, 15 Harvey street, will take place this afternoon at two o'clock at the Edmonton cemetery. Rev. Canon Webb will officiate.

## TOO LATE FOR CLASSIFICATION.

FOR SALE—LOTS 7 & 8 in Block 2, Parkdale, South side, facing car line. Price \$2500, 1-3 Cash, Bal. 4 & 12 Mos. \$750 Mortgage, with Apply to Geo. Huff, Geo. Daily Capital Second St.

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**TENDERS**  
Office of Jas. A. MacKinnon, 1001-1003, Suite 705 Teater Block, Edmonton, Alta., Mar. 24th, 1914.  
Sealed tenders will be received up till noon of Thursday, the second day of April, 1914, for the school and fixtures of the estate of J. S. Edgar, deceased, 1439-1441, and street, Edmonton, Alta., following: groceries, meats, etc.  
Tenders will be sold in whole or in part. Estimated \$3,572.45.  
Total can be furnished on whole or in part. Estimated \$5,616.72.  
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JAS. A. MACKINNON, Official Assessor.

**NOTICE**  
A Meeting of the Cleaners, Pressers and Dyers will be held in the Mechanics' Hall, Third Street, on Tuesday, March 31, for the purpose of furthering mutual interest. All parties interested are urged to attend.

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## TOLD MARY BEAU WAS IN THE COOP

Borrowed Money From Her to Pay Fine, Then Beat It.

**THIRTY DAYS, SAYS CAD**  
Girl Victim of Trick of a Man Who Blames Another for Playing It.

Trying to impose on the innocence of Mary Mackie, a pretty young girl, who had been the victim of Peter Onda, who was convicted in the police court this morning on a charge of obtaining the sum of \$14 by false pretence and sentenced to 30 days with hard labor.

On Wednesday afternoon Onda and another man, named Mike Oupliski called on the girl who was working in a restaurant on Kensington avenue and told her that her overcoat had been named George Boular was arrested and in jail and that if the girl would give them \$15, they would pay the fine for him and get him released. Thinking that it was true, the young girl gave the men \$15 and stated that if this should not be enough to pay the fine, she would give them more, but she thought that the men had taken her money and would be able to make up the balance. The men then left but about 20 minutes later Onda called the girl up on the phone and stated that he would have to have five more dollars before he could get the man out of jail and added that he would send Oupliski to her for the balance. When the man arrived she gave him the five dollars and told him that was all she had at present. Later the girl met a friend who had just seen her sweetheart and upon further investigation she found out that he had never been arrested at all. She had a complaint with the police and Detective Schreyer was detailed on the case. Late last night he effected the arrest of Onda, but the other man had left town. This morning in the police court the accused admitted that he had received the money but stated that Oupliski had told him to get it.

## HOMING PIGEON SOCIETY FORMED; OFFICERS ELECTED

At the first formal meeting of the Edmonton Homing Pigeon Society which was held in the rooms of the industrial commissioner last evening, W. J. Macraeth was elected president, J. D. Richards, honorary vice-president, W. T. Webb, secretary and William Kirk secretary treasurer. A committee of five was also appointed for the purpose of completing arrangements in connection with the race program for the coming year.

The membership of the club will be 100 members. The first race will be held in the hands of the secretary not later than May 1. Races to be given this year will be in the city and three points along the route of the Canadian Northern railway being Veroville, Vermilion and the other cities. All members will have the privilege of entering as many birds as they choose and also the choice of race and the other year or old birds. The decision as to a definite route of flight will be determined by the working committee which will also consider other matters as the provision of good food for their birds which, unfortunately, cannot be procured in the city at the present time. It will also take the matter in hand regarding the measurement of the flying distance of each fancier from each race point to his loft.

The meeting of Friday night was largely attended and a great deal of enthusiasm evidenced. All members voiced the opinion that the Canadian race was almost ideal for pigeon racing; the atmosphere so clear, and the summer days so long. Two special prizes have already been offered for competition this year, one from J. Richards in the form of a silver cup and the other from J. Lord being a magnificent rose bowl which will be given for the bird which is the first of its kind in western Canada and its members are working toward the end of making it a complete success. The next meeting will be held about two weeks hence at a location yet to be decided.

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